Claims

[c1] A redundancy unit comprising: a first fuse block comprising at least one first fuse; a second fuse block comprising at least one second fuse; and a redundant element coupled to the first and second fuse blocks, the redundant element can be programmed by either the first or second fuse blocks. [c2] The redundancy unit of claim 1 repairs defects in an integrated circuit. [c3] The redundancy unit of claim 1 wherein the redundant element repairs defects in a memory array. [c4] The redundancy unit of claim 3 wherein the redundant element comprises a memory cell. [c5] The redundancy unit of claim 3 wherein the redundant element comprises memory cells for row redundancy. [c6] The redundancy unit of claim 3 wherein the redundant element comprises a memory cells for column redundancy. [c7] The redundant unit of claim 1 wherein the first fuse comprises a laser blowable fuse and the second fuse comprises an electrical fuse. [c8] The redundancy unit of claim 7 further comprises a selection circuit coupled to between the fuse blocks and redundancy element, the selection circuit selecting either the first or second fuse block for programming the redundancy unit. [c9] The redundancy unit of claim 8 wherein the selection circuit comprises an OR or an XOR gate. [c10]The redundant unit of claim 7 wherein the electrical fuse comprises an electrical blowable fuse. [c11] The redundancy unit of claim 10 further comprises a selection circuit coupled to between the fuse blocks and redundancy element, the selection circuit selecting either the first or second fuse block for programming the redundancy unit.

[c12] The redundancy unit of claim 10 wherein the selection circuit comprises an OR or an XOR gate. [c13] The redundant unit of claim 7 wherein the electrical fuse comprises an antifuse. [c14]The redundancy unit of claim 13 further comprises a selection circuit coupled to between the fuse blocks and redundancy element, the selection circuit selecting either the first or second fuse block for programming the redundancy unit. [c15]The redundancy unit of claim 13 wherein the selection circuit comprises an OR or an XOR gate. The redundancy unit of claim 1 further comprises a selection circuit coupled to [c16] between the fuse blocks and redundancy element, the selection circuit selecting either the first or second fuse block for programming the redundancy unit. [c17] The redundancy unit of claim 16 wherein the selection circuit comprises an OR or an XOR gate.